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Church News

BENEVOLENT OBJECTS AND THEIR TREASURERS.

As Ordered by The General Assembly.

Foreign Missions: (May and October) W. H. Raymond, treasurer, 1st National Bank Building, Nashville, Tenn.

Home Missions: (June and November) A. N. Sharp, treasurer, Box 1686 Atlanta, Ga.

Christian Education and Ministerial Relief: (April and December) John Stites, treasurer, 110 5th street, Louisville, Ky.

Sabbath School Extension: (March) R. E. Magill, treasurer, Box 883, Richmond, Va.

Bible Cause: (September) William Foulke, treasurer, Bible House, New York, N. Y.

All monies raised for Presbyterian and Synodical Missions to be sent to local treasurers.

ARKANSAS.

Rev. J. W. Atwood, general evangelist, laboring under H. Mission Committee of Ouchita Presbytery held a six days' meeting in Ebenezer church, closing Sunday, September 17th. Beside a great amount of good that eternity alone will reveal, some of the visible results were five added to the church; six children baptized; eight family altars erected; several reconciliations; many backsliders publicly renewed their vows; a Sunday-school and Ladies' Society organized; \$50 contributed for Local Home Missions. Mr. Atwood fearlessly preaches against sin and yet with a deep love and tenderness. A. D. Murphy.

GEORGIA.

Danielsville: Rev. J. Spencer Smith has accepted the pastorate of this church and began his work here last Sunday.

Savannah Presbytery will meet at Brunswick, Ga., Tuesday, October 10th, at 7:30 P. M., and the opening sermon will be preached by Rev. Dr. W. A. Nesbit. There will be a Foreign Mission meeting on Wednesday evening at which time Dr. James O. Reavis will deliver an address before the Presbytery. Rev. R. A. Brown, S. C.

Ringgold: Have just closed a meeting at Blue Springs. Besides preaching, we spent much time in visiting for the purpose of doing personal work, and greatly encouraged by the promise, on the part

of a number of men, of middle age and older to take their stand for Christ, and to unite with some branch of the church. Three members, of decided promise, have been received into the Presbyterian church, one a man nearly 54 years of age. Others expected later. Shall begin a meeting at Tunnel Hill, Tuesday evening, Sept. 19th. J. T. Wade.

Nacoochee Institute: This is the Georgia Presbyterian school for mountain children, and is conducted by Superintendent Coit and Misses Dozier, Young, Evans, Adams and Blackwell, as loyal a faculty as ever worked together. This loyalty was put to the test severely last term, when the funds ran low and the outlook was very dark; when with no salaries in sight they lived for six weeks on a diet of potatoes alone. Meantime, in addition to the school work, doing all the work of the dormitory, with the help of the students, including feeding hogs, working the garden, cooking, sewing, mending, sweeping, etc., etc. Yet they were all glad to get back in the same places this year again. The worst is over now, however, and the school opened on the 15th, with over one hundred pupils, and in better condition than ever before. The opening sermon was preached by Rev. C. I. Stacy, of Elberton, who is one of the trustees of the school.

Athens Presbytery: The Supervisor of Home Missions, Rev. J. D. McPhail, has been on the go in our Presbytery since the first of July, preaching almost daily. He has held, and assisted in evangelistic services in the following churches: Hoschton, Comer, Colbert, Chestnut Mountain, New Hope, Homer and Thyatira. Most of these churches were greatly revived, and most of them strengthened in membership by profession of faith.

Rev. E. L. Hill, pastor of the First church of Athens, conducted meetings at Royston and Commerce; some twenty members were received into these churches. Rev. S. J. Cartledge held revival services at Mt. Hermon and Maysville; these churches were revived and strengthened. Rev. G. M. Telford assisted in two meetings, Hebron and Hopewell; the services at both of these points were productive of many visible results. Rev. W. T. Wadley preached for several days at Bethaven; there were two additions to our church and other professions of faith. Rev. R. N. Abraham was with the Danielsville church for a few days, and much good was done for the kingdom.

On the second Sabbath in this month, Rev. T. H. Newkirk, of the Royston group, began a meeting in Hart county, the German colony; the Supervisor of Home Missions went to him on Monday and continued four days, doing the preaching while there. There were services twice a day for two days, but on account of the extremely busy season, it was thought best to have service at night only. The congregations were large and appreciative, many of the number never before having heard the gospel from a Presbyterian minister. As a result of this meeting, Sharon church was organized with twenty-six members. The following gentlemen were elected, ordained and installed ruling elders: John Roukoskie, August Maciejewski and W. L. Pierce; J. J. Maciejewski, Amiael Maciejewski and S. H. Hudgens were elected, ordained and installed deacons.

A site was donated for the erection of a house of worship; sufficient rough timber for the frame work; \$200 in money subscribed. These industrious and thrifty people expect to be in their own house by the first of February. They now worship in a school house.

The membership of the above church represents 65 or 70 children.

The most striking thing the writer beheld while among this people was

the unanimity with which they did things.

A Sabbath school is to be organized there next Sabbath. S. H. M.

KENTUCKY.

Elberton, Ky.: The Rockbridge of Maiben Memorial Church here, derives its name from Rockbridge County, Va., from which place came the early Presbyterians of this community. Two services were held last Sunday by Rev. C. W. Summerville, of S. P. U. Divinity School. At 7 P. M., Dr. Summerville preached to the negroes of the A. M. E. Church, and had the closest attention and perfect behaviour.

Paducah Presbytery met in session in Mayfield, Ky., Sept. 12, 7:30 P. M. Was opened with a sermon by Rev. H. V. Escott.

Elder James Lambert, of Henderson was elected moderator and Judge John W. Blur, Jr., of Marion, temporary clerk.

Rev. Henry V. Escott was received from Transylvania Presbytery and steps taken for his installation over the Marion church, October 1, 1911.

Rev. Thomas Cummings, D. D., Rev. James H. McCullough, Rev. C. N. Wharton, and Elder M. L. Gorton, were appointed as commission to install Rev. H. V. Escott.

All matters referred by the Assembly to the Presbyteries was placed in the hands of an ad interim committee, C. N. Wharton, H. X. Morton, to recommend action at spring meeting.

Report of sale of the Southern Presbyterian church property at Princeton, Ky., was received and approved by Presbytery.

Marion Church, the place of next meeting, and Tuesday after 2d Monday in April as the time.

Presbytery of Paducah requests the Presbytery of Mecklenburg to unite with them in an overture to Synod touching the Union of the two Presbyteries.

Presbytery adjourned to meet at call of moderator during session of Synod at Bowling Green, Ky.

Llewellyn Humphreys, S. C.

LOUISIANA.

Norwood: We have just closed a six days' meeting here, in which the pastor was assisted by Rev. D. F. Wilkinson, of Baker, La. We feel that the church has been greatly blessed by the labors of this dear brother in our midst. His sermons were earnest, forceful and spiritual, and we trust that the church and community has received a spiritual uplift as a result of the services. There were three accessions to the membership. Had we been able to continue for some days, greater results would have been realized, as we believe, in the ingathering of souls.

Sept. 12, 1911.

D. O. B.

Sillman Collegiate Institute, Clinton, La., opened for the new year Sept. 13th with the largest number of Boarding students in thirty years. If the increase in attendance next year should be in like proportion with that of the past two years a new building will be necessary to take care of our students.

A new system of water supply with all the accompanying modern conveniences and costing about \$2,500 is almost completed. A well 382 feet has been sunk and an inexhaustible supply of pure, soft, cool water secured.

Thibodaux has been in a state of great excitement for several days. The climax was reached on Tuesday, Sept. 12, when the tax payers, by a decided majority, voted in favor of a new high school of \$50,000. For a number of years the Roman Catholic clergy opposed the movement in every way possible. Even last week, Sunday, Sept. 10, the priest gave notice to all voters of his "kith and kin," that all who would vote for the school would be denied absolution.

It is rumored also that he and the nuns spent the day Tuesday in the chapel praying for his side to win. But his prayers were of no avail. Mrs. Anoren H. Price, a wealthy widow, gave the decision by a handsome majority. The new water works plant of \$45,000, the new court house, just finished at a cost of \$55,000, the newly voted high school of \$50,000, place Thibodaux in the line of progression. For years it had been at a standstill, held back by the R. C. church, which believes that these things are modern innovations and therefore have no right to exist. But the clergy are just beginning to know and understand that in such matters even the best of their followers are not with them. Their power and influence, even in Thibodaux, are at a discount. The schools celebrated the victory by a big parade the following night.

MISSISSIPPI.

Meridian Presbytery: The Committee on Systematic Beneficence has arranged for a conference, subject to the order of Presbytery. This conference will discuss the new plan of raising money for the benevolences. Deacons as well as elders are invited to the conference. It is hoped that every church will have one or more representatives.

Forest: Sabbath School Day was observed on the third Sunday of September, and was one of the best days our church ever experienced. The attendance was some larger than the membership of the church and the collection averaged nearly twenty cents a member. The small children did splendidly with their parts of the program, the five year old son of the superintendent singing a solo. The Presbyterian Union will meet here October 25.

Mt. Holly: A very helpful and enjoyable revival meeting closed here the 10th, the meeting began on the 3rd, and was conducted by Rev. J. W. Atwood, evangelist, who has been employed by the Home Mission Committee to labor in the bounds of Ouachita Presbytery for several months. As a visible result of this meeting there were nine professions and eight additions to the church. Our members are very much revived and built up in faith, and a number of family altars were erected. Mr. Atwood is a strong and forceful preacher and presents the gospel in the most convincing manner. We heartily recommend Mr. Atwood to any church needing the services of a revivalist.

French Camp: The schools opened well especially the Female College, which, considering the financial outlook, has had a better opening than for years. Few schools do the thorough work this does. Out of our little town of 25 or 30 families, there are now 13 relay teachers, some of them in high positions, who have had their instruction from Central Mississippi Institute.

Poplar Creek: Our meeting closed after four days. Five joined on profession. Five were added by letter a short time before. Rev. J. C. King did some good preaching.

Chamberlain-Hunt Academy: This institution, owned by the Synod of Mississippi, opened on September 13th, with the largest enrollment in its history. Every foot of available space has been utilized and a number of boys have been turned away. We have, on the whole, the finest student body the institution has ever had.

The Board recently closed a deal for one hundred and twenty-eight acres of land adjoining the school property, which gives us approximately two hundred acres. It will be possible now to develop industrial interests that have been planned for some time.

M. E. Melvin, Pres.

MISSOURI.

The Hardin-Morton Church is one or